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ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Claims 40-51 ("Group II"), drawn to a method of monitoring oxygenation, classified in Class 600, subclass 323, for prosecution in the present application.

ELECTION IN RESPONSE TO ELECTION-OF-SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Applicant hereby elects the species-of-invention of "Species B," drawn to a method of monitoring oxygenation of blood based on an optimal spectrum, upon which Claims 45-51 are presently readable, and to which the foregoing elected invention is to be limited in the present prosecution in the event that no generic claim drawn to the elected invention (i.e., Claims 40-51) is ultimately allowed.